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STATE OF WISCONSIN,

OFFICE OF COMMISSIONERS OF SCHOOL & UNIVERSITY LANDS,
MADISON, October 1st, 1859.

To ALEXANDER W. RANDALL,

Governor of the State of Wisconsin:

SIR:—The Commissioners for the sale of School, University and Swamp Lands, having in charge the funds derived and arising thereupon, respectfully submit their annual Report for the fiscal year ending September 30th, 1859.

The Reports of the Secretary of State and State Treasurer exhibit full and detailed statements of the receipts and disbursements on account of and in the several funds over which we have supervision.

STATEMENT

Of Loans granted for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30th, 1859.

Date.	Counties and Names.	Amount.	Interest.
		DOLS.	DOLS. CTS.
	ADAMS COUNTY,		
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Dec. 2, 1859	George Adey	$175 00	97
	BUFFALO COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
April 12, 1859.	Jesse Bennett	368 00	18 44
	CHIPPEWA COUNTY.		
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Oct. 1, 1858	Peter Rafferty,	300 00	5 25
Dec. 24	Elijah Pound,	500 00	1 63
		800 00	6 88
	COLUMBIA COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
November 8	Kate C. Shuhan	320 00	3 23
Jany. 31, 1859	Benjamin F. Everett	400 00	25 67
April 6	Owen J. Owen	250 00	12 83
April 6	John R. Jones	250 00	12 83
July 15,	Michael Calahan	200 00	6 44
		1420 00	61 05
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Dec. 16, 1858	Richard Devine,	250 00	72
	DANE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Nov. 10	Harvey Campbell,	250 00	2 47
Dec. 3	Jonas J. Nichols	250 00	1 34
Dec. 18	Michael Dwyer,	300 00	75
Jan. 28, 1859	DuRay Hunt	350 00	22 73
Feb. 17	Ansel Pelton	459 00	27 75
May 30	Liberty H. Waterbury	250 00	10 26
July 12,	Liberty H. Waterbury,	250 00	8 20
August 1	Gabriel Bjornsen	400 00	11 67
		2509 00	85 17
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Oct. 11, 1858	Elizabeth McNish	200 00	3 10
Oct. 14	Joseph Laque	500 00	7 46
Dec. 9	Daniel McDonald	200 00	1 04
		900 00	11 60
	UNIVERSITY FUND.		
an. 24, 1359	State University,	1000 00	

Date.	Counties and Names.	Amount.	Interest.
	DODGE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Dec. 29, 1858..	Noah Whitcomb	280 00	16
March 2, 1859.	Jacob Englehart	130 00	7 43
May 11,	Benjamin Furgeson*	1168 62	52 18
		1578 62	59 77
	EAU CLAIRE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Dec. 30, 1858..	Charles M. Davis	500 00	19
June 15, 1859..	Louisa Randall	500 00	19 03
Aug. 27	Samuel G. Schenk	500 00	12 05
Aug. 31	Charles M. Goss	200 00	4 67
		1700 00	35 94
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Oct. 26	Solon W. Edson	500 00	6 [illegible]
	FOND DU LAC COUNTY.		
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
	John B. Morey	300 00	15 81
	GRANT COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Feb. 10	John Kemler	500 00	31 12
	GREEN COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Jan. 6	John Sutherland	300 00	20 69
	IOWA COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
March 4	Henry Patterson	424 25	24 46
July 2	M. S. Hinman	500 00	16 02
Sept. 3	Margaret Lloyd	250 00	5 68
Sept. 26	Francis J. Nelson,	360 00	6 58
		1534 25	52 74
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Dec. 6, 1858	Moses M. Strong	500 00	2 40
	JACKSON COUNTY.		
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
May 2, 1859	C. W. Marshall	400 00	18 55

*This mortgage given to secure the payment of the balance of three (3) fraudulent mortgages in Dodge county.

Date.	Counties and Names.	Amount.	Interest.
	JEFFERSON COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
March 5, 1858	George Silverthorn	363 00	20 87
August 26	Othello S. Brandon	210 00	5 10
		573 00	25 97
	KEWAUNEE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Feb. 24, 1859	John Axtel	300 00	17 73
	LAFAYETTE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
April 25	Felix and Levi Burgess	400 00	19 05
	LA CROSSE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Feb 21	John M. Barlow	500 00	29 74
March 28	John Weldon	240 00	12 74
June 15	Sarah W. Rublee	500 00	19 03
June 21	Harriet F. Smith	375 00	13 85
		1615 00	75 36
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Dec. 3 1858	Jonn T. Miles	500 00	2 68
	MANITOWOC COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Oct. 21, 1858	George Hagen	360 00	4 89
May 2, 1859	Sarah B. Dunn	300 00	1 42
August 7	Charles Roeser	250 00	7 00
August 17	George Reed	500 00	13 01
Sept. 1	Charles Pizzala	120 00	2 80
		1530 00	40 12
	MARQUETTE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Nov. 30, 1858	W. D. Walker	300 00	1 81
Oct. 2	Royal T. Wells	500 00	8 71
Feb. 28	William Davidson	300 00	17 56
		1100 00	28 08
	MILWAUKEE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
March 19	Thomas Hislop,	324 00	17 76
April 25	J. H. Cordis	500 00	23 81
		824 00	41 57

Date.	Counties and Names.	Amount.	Interest.
	MONROE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
April 19, 1859	Ann McDonald,	256 00	12 49
January 15	Edwin P. Harris	125 00	8 40
January 20	A. & E. Cramer	120 00	7 93
March 28,	Charles D. Bradley	125 00	6 63
March 28	O. P. McClure	500 00	26 54
		1126 00	61 99
	OUTAGAMIE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
July 30	Mary A. Scofield,	500 00	14 58
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Oct. 1, 1859	Samuel J. Sparks,	200 00	3 50
November 23	William G. Griffis,	500 00	3 59
		700 00	7 09
	OZAUKEE COUNTY.		
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Oct. 12, 1858	John R. Bohan	00	3 06
	SCHOOL FUND.		
May 7, 1859	F. W. Horn	200 00	9 59
	PIERCE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
February 26	James M. Bailey	450 00	26 42
	PORTAGE COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
March 5	Andrew O. Brown,	250 00	14 38
July 15	George W. Cate	300 00	9 67
		550 00	24 05
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
February 12	Harriet M. Waldbridge	250 00	15 35
	RACINE COUNTY.		
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
May 17	James Yates,	500 00	21 76
September 21	Mary J. Sprague,	300 00	5 77
September 21	Alfred Payne,	500 00	9 51
		1300 00	37 14

Date.	Counties and Names.	Amount.	Interest.
	RICHLAND COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
August 16, 1859	Asa McCollum	200 00	5 25
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Oct. 14, 1858	Carlos Joslin	200 00	2 98
	ROCK COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
January 5, 1859	A. C. Ressequei	271 00	18 69
January 27	Edwin Case	200 00	12 95
February 14	D. H. Babbitt	236 00	14 81
February 24	John Jones	200 00	12 59
March 9	Charles B. Ellis	200 00	11 34
		1107 00	70 38
	ST. CROIX COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
August 24	Charles C. Leeds	500 00	12 34
	SAUK COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Oct. 14, 1858	Maria Don Scheidel	250 00	3 74
December 12	Mathias Miller	400 00	1 53
October 21	E. G. Wheeler	150 00	2 04
December 14	George Owen	500 00	1 65
February 2, 1859	David B. Rudd	200 00	12 67
February 2	John Mills	100 00	6 33
February 9	James Bradford	300 00	18 54
June 30	Michael Carmichael	250 00	8 80
August 10	Susan H. Scofield	500 00	13 68
	Henry Jacobs	250 00	5 29
		2900 00	74 27
	SHEBOYGAN COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Jauuary 31	Henry Otten	500 00	32 08
February 11	Frederick Joerns	300 00	18 42
March 15	James Baldwin	450 00	25 01
March 15	Samuel D. Gault	250 00	13 90
		1500 00	89 41
	WALWORTH COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
January 21	John H. Dudley	500 00	33 04
August 6	Lorenzo L. Crouse	150 00	4 22
		650 00	37 26

Date.	Counties and Names.	Amount.	Interest.
	WALWORTH COUNTY.		
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
Nov. 4, 1859	James Dudley	300 00	3 19
	WASHINGTON COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
February 1	George Beck	500 00	32 08
March 18	Peter J. Schulties	300 00	18 54
		800 00	50 62
	WAUKESHA COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Nov. 15, 1858	John D. Roberts	197 00	1 75
April 12, 1859	George C. Pratt	480 00	24 06
May 27	Wm. A. Vanderpool	500 00	20 71
June 7	Finlay Fraser	200 00	7 88
August 1	T. C. Dousman	500 00	14 58
		1877 00	68 98
	WAUPACCA COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
July 2	Erastus C. Sessions,	300 00	
	DRAINAGE FUND.		
May 2	Elizabeth Waterhouse	300 00	13 92
	WAUSHARA COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
January 8	Charles A. Mather	158 00	10 84
February 9	Betsey Jones	300 00	18 43
April 9	George H. Welch	500 00	25 34
April 9	David B. Wheeler	250 00	12 68
April 9	C. M. Prutsman	400 00	20 28
July 25	Alexander Clark	400 00	12 13
		2008 00	99 70
	DRAIANGE FUND.		
Oct. 4, 1858	E. M. Bailey	500 00	8 42
	WINNEBAGO COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Dec. 10, 1858	Jesse Armstrong	204 00	83
Feb. 28, 1859	R. J. Harney	500 00	29 17
April 4	R. P. Eighme	450 00	23 24
June 25	R Doland	250 00	8 99
		1404 00	62 23

Date.	Counties and Names.	Amount.	Interest.
	WINNEBAGO COUNTY.		
	DRAINAGE FUND		
Oct. 9, 1858	James Kienan	120 00	1 21
Aug. 18, 1859	H. E. Gustavus & Jacob Thrig	500 00	12 92
		620 00	14 13
	WOOD COUNTY.		
	SCHOOL FUND.		
Nov. 23, 1858	J. H. Long	350 00	2 51
Dec. 8,	Edward Smith	300 00	1 38
Dec. 9,	L. J. E. & S. Voyer	300 00	1 27
	Andrew Bakeman	200 00	4 71
		1150 00	9 87

STATEMENT

Of Loans granted for the Fiscal Year, ending September 30th, 1859.

Counties.	School Fund.		Drainage Fund.		Univ'sity Fund.	
	Am't of Loan.	Am't of Inter'st.	Am't of Loan.	Am't of Intr'st.	Am't of Loan.	Am't of Int'st.
Adams	.....	.....	175 00	97	.....	.....
Buffalo	368 00	18 44	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chippewa	.....	.....	800 00	6 88	.....	.....
Columbia	1,420 00	61 05	250 00	72	.....	.....
Dane	2,509 00	85 17	900 00	11 60	1,000 00	.....
Dodge	1,578 62	59 77	.....	.....	.....	.....
Eau Claire	1,700 00	35 94	500 00	6 50	.....	.....
Fond du Lac	.....	.....	300 00	15 81	.....	.....
Grant	500 00	31 12	.....	.....	.....	.....
Green	300 00	20 69	.....	.....	.....	.....
Iowa	1,534 25	52 74	500 00	2 40	.....	.....
Jackson	.....	.....	400 00	18 55	.....	.....
Jefferson	573 00	25 97	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kewaunee	300 00	17 73	.....	.....	.....	.....
La Crosse	1,615 00	75 36	500 00	2 68	.....	.....
La Fayette	400 00	19 05	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manitowoc	1,530 00	40 12	.....	.....	.....	.....
Marquette	1,100 00	28 08	.....	.....	.....	.....
Milwaukee	824 00	41 57	.....	.....	.....	.....
Monroe	1,126 00	61 99	.....	.....	.....	.....
Outagamie	500 00	14 58	700 00	7 09	.....	.....
Ozaukee	200 00	9 59	200 00	3 06	.....	.....
Pierce	450 00	26 42	.....	.....	.....	.....
Portage	550 00	24 05	.....	.....	.....	.....
Racine	1,300 00	37 14	.....	.....	.....	.....
Richland	200 00	5 25	200 00	2 98	.....	.....
Rock	1,107 00	70 38	.....	.....	.....	.....
St Croix	500 00	12 34	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sauk	2,900 00	74 27	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sheboygan	1,500 00	89 41	.....	.....	.....	.....
Walworth	650 00	37 26	300 00	3 19	.....	.....
Washington	800 00	50 62	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waukesha	1,877 00	68 98	.....	.....	.....	.....
Waupacca	300 00	.....	300 00	13 92	.....	.....
Waushara	2,008 00	99 70	500 00	8 42	.....	.....
Winnebago	1,404 0[illegible]	62 23	620 00	14 13	.....	.....
Wood	1,150 00	9 87	.....	.....	.....	.....
	$34,773 87	$1,366 88	$7,145 00	$118 90	$1,000 00	.....

The above Loans from the School Fund, were granted in exchange of Securities from that Fund. And those from the Drainage Fund, made in 1859, were also granted in exchange of Securities from the Drainage Fund.

STATEMENT

Of the Sale of Forfeited Lands, for the Fiscal Year, ending September 30th, 1849.

16TH SECTION, FORFEITED SALES.

County.	Acres.	100ths	Am't due State.	Am't Sold for	Am't of Pr'pal Paid.	Am'nt of Int'st Paid.	Am'nt of Surpl's Paid.	Bal. due State,
Adams	160		$223 64	$223 64	$27 64	80	.....	$196 00
Bad Ax	1840		2579 00	2605 33	495 00	$10 10	$26 33	2084 00
Brown	518		1845 87	1845 87	199 46	27 11	.....	1649 00
Buffalo	249		321 78	321 78	45 78	1 32	.....	276 00
Calumet	720		1734 49	1738 15	204 49	5 16	3 66	1530 00
Chippewa	5356	45	7375 03	7378 88	966 03	30 32	3 85	6409 00
Clark	1039	40	1639 24	1639 24	217 24	6 08	.....	1422 00
Columbia	196	56	977 25	992 45	157 25	12 22	15 20	820 00
Crawford	1360		1802 28	1802 28	222 28	12 33	.....	1580 00
Dane	600		1640 31	3635 60	205 31	7 00	2003 29	1435 00
Dodge	39	70	238 16	238 16	84 16	71	.....	154 00
Door	1170		1724 46	1724 46	188 46	5 81	.....	1536 00
Douglass	1080		1491 96	1491 96	174 96	28 30	.....	1317 00
Dunn	594	51	796 16	796 16	93 16	2 90	.....	703 00
Eau Claire	560		801 52	826 04	107 52	3 00	24 52	694 00
Fond du Lac	40		102 43	102 43	39 43	30	.....	36 00
Grant	800		915 72	1206 45	325 72	2 79	290 73	590 00
Green	40		41 32	65 00	5 32	20	23 68	36 00
Green Lake	160		215 70	215 70	33 70	82	.....	182 00
Iowa	120		151 24	155 92	25 24	65	4 68	126 00
Jackson	1960		2887 02	2923 62	433 02	14 56	36 60	2454 00
Juneau	1520		2210 45	2210 45	488 45	12 29	.....	1722 00
Kewaunee	200		431 89	431 89	64 89	6 31	.....	367 00
Kenosha	40	12	2040 84	227 00	22 84	84	22 16	182 00
La Crosse	556	85	788 81	868 54	108 81	2 91	79 73	680 00
La Fayette	50		231 16	231 16	26 16	11 06	.....	205 00
La Pointe	280		803 32	803 32	86 32	23 49	.....	717 00
Manitowoc	340	17	471 98	471 98	48 98	1 71	.....	423 00
Marathon	2080		3013 28	3013 28	322 28	10 68	.....	2691 00
Marquette	440		947 42	947 42	153 42	14 31	.....	794 00
Milwaukee	25	77	137 97	305 00	42 97	44	167 03	95 00
Monroe	920		1356 33	1428 76	214 33	4 74	72 43	1142 00
Oconto	2880		3942 72	3942 72	419 72	6 94	.....	3523 00
Outagamie	920		1385 28	1385 28	294 28	4 74	.....	1091 00
Ozaukee	93	85	416 16	416 16	46 16	9 74	.....	370 00
Pepin	480		634 72	634 72	78 72	2 64	.....	556 00
Pierce	240		330 80	330 80	46 80	1 26	.....	284 00
Polk	2314	33	3128 06	3156 02	433 06	31 04	27 96	2695 00
Portage	440		577 72	577 72	67 72	2 09	.....	510 00
Richland	120		217 00	217 00	46 00	70	.....	171 00
Rock	265		1774 54	2054 32	237 01	8 43	280 31	1537 00
St. Croix	440		753 35	760 63	101 35	2 25	7 28	652 00
Sauk	736	65	1218 35	1343 85	228 36	4 03	125 49	990 00
Sneboygan	240		954 52	963 16	108 52	3 66	8 64	846 00
Waupacca	1826	07	2513 99	2516 99	366 99	9 58	3 00	2147 00
Winnebago	120		303 37	363 00	42 37	1 39	59 63	261 00
Wood	1400		1890 80	1893 24	223 80	7 00	2 44	1667 00
	37563	43	60143 41	63423 53	8571 48	356 75	3288 64	51574 00

500.000 ACRE TRACT, FORFEITED SALES.

County.	Acr's	100ths.	Am't due State.	Am't Sold for	Am't of Pr'pal Paid.	Am't of In'st Paid.	Am't of Surpus Paid.	Bad. due State.
Bad ux.	$1520		$2348	68	$2447	14	$426	10	$9	15	$98	46	$1922	58
Brown	844	27	1616	58	1630	09	302	12	6	29	13	51	1314	46
Buffalo	160		265	72	265	72	54	28		92	.....		211	44
Calumet	1514	61	3476	11	3476	79	642	89	21	45		68	2833	22
Clark	205	94	280	52	315	00	34	52	1	16	34	48	246	00
Cawford	213	02	353	62	353	62	67	85	1	59	.....		285	77
Dane	40		63	72	100	00	7	72		26	36	28	56	00
Iowa	280		750	60	777	43	107	66	2	50	26	83	642	94
Jackson	200		294	98	294	98	42	98	1	15	.....		252	00
Jefferson	200		294	12	294	12	54	12	1	10	.....		240	00
La Crosse	915	50	1402	76	2021	81	241	05	4	79	619	05	1161	71
Manitowoc	440		734	84	734	84	116	08	2	78	.....		618	76
Monroe	431	75	817	27	871	20	132	93	2	73	53	93	684	34
Oconto	120		185	76	185	76	20	76		54	.....		165	00
Outagamie	1710	02	3311	40	3324	36	622	17	14	38	12	96	2689	23
Pierce	1034	02	1580	01	1613	18	273	23	5	69	33	17	1306	78
Richland	1560		2725	25	2818	08	496	53	9	60	92	80	2228	72
St, Croix	3159	87	5406	86	5772	36	1182	27	19	68	365	50	4224	59
Trempeleau	480		731	96	732	94	112	24	2	60		98	619	72
Waukesha	120		130	06	130	74	27	06		45		68	103	00
Waupacca	657	03	1394	41	1409	28	184	51	13	97	14	87	1209	90
	15806	03	28165	23	29569	41	5149	07	122	78	1404	18	23016	16

UNIVERSITY, EORFEITED SALES.

Chippewa	160		494	55	494	55	58	55	2	08	.....		436	00
Crawford	80		364	88	364	88	36	88	19	14	.....		328	00
Dane	40		121	96	150	04	13	96		52	28	08	108	00
Eau Claire	440		1065	84	1065	84	294	84	17	65	.....		771	00
Grant	40		53	64	71	00	6	64		20	17	36	47	00
Iowa	25	07	80	90	80	90	11	90		28	.....		69	00
La Fayette	40		121	96	421	96	13	96		62	.....		108	00
Pepin	40		123	08	123	08	14	08		48	.....		109	00
Pierce	200		756	04	756	04	79	04	23	76	.....		677	00
Richland	200		672	20	672	20	117	20	2	45	.....		555	00
	1265	07	3855	05	3900	49	647	05	67	18	45	44	3208	00

SWAMP LANDS, FORFEITED SALES.

Adams	440		565	40	565	40	62	40	11	99	.....		503	00
Brown	40		51	40	51	40	5	40		92	.....		46	00
Buffalo	100	71	260	60	260	60	27	60	11	81	.....		233	00
Calumet	40		51	40	51	40	5	40	2	68	.....		46	00
Chippewa	40		53	64	53	64	6	64		20	.....		47	00
Columbia	200		342	12	342	12	36	12	15	02	.....		306	00

SWAMP LAND, FORFEITED SALES.

County.	Acres.	100ths.	Am't due State.	Am't Sold for.	Am't of Prin'pal Paid.	Am't of In'ts't Paid.	Am't of S'rpl's Paid.	Bal. due State.
Dane	$160		$608 80	$608 80	$66 80	$10 46	.....	542 00
Dodge	320	19	411 20	411 20	89 20	14 85	.....	322 00
Door	280		359 80	359 80	37 80	7 70	.....	322 00
Dunn	120		158 68	158 68	16 68	5 00	.....	142 00
Fond du Lac	120		174 36	174 36	18 36	7 74	.....	156 00
Jackson	517	18	717 48	717 48	75 48	2 72	.....	642 00
Jefferson	347	40	1518 76	1518 76	156 76	8 01	.....	1362 00
Juneau	40		51 40	51 40	6 40	16	.....	45 00
Kewaunee	1002	76	1500 04	1500 04	165 04	68 08	.....	1335 00
La Crosse	301	43	418 04	418 04	51 04	1 63	.....	367 00
Manitowoc	200		257 00	257 00	27 00	9 84	.....	230 00
Marquette	115	17	163 16	163 16	18 16	4 41	.....	145 00
Monroe	480		630 24	630 24	68 26	1 14	.....	562 00
Oconto	767	10	984 44	984 44	116 44	8 18	.....	868 00
Outagamie	480		616 80	616 80	74 80	7 86	.....	542 00
Portage	1093	09	1592 76	1592 76	168 76	29 87	.....	1424 00
Sheboygan	40		61 48	61 48	7 48	18	.....	54 00
Trempeleau	80		102 80	102 80	12 80	40	.....	90 00
Washington	40		51 40	51 40	5 40	1 33	.....	46 00
Waupacca	804	85	1253 12	1253 16	137 12	41 51	04	1116 00
Waushara	200		257 00	257 00	27 00	10 80	.....	230 00
Winnebago	120		154 20	154 20	17 20	5 49	.....	137 00
Wood	1351	40	1908 88	1908 88	226 88	13 49	.....	1682 00
	9841	28	15276 40	15276 44	1734 40	303 47	04	13542 00

STATEMENT

Of the Regular Sale of Lands for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30th, 1859.

16TH SECTION—REGULAR SALE.

County.	Acres 100ths	Min'um Price.	Amt sold for	A'mt of principal paid.	Am't. of Interest paid.	Balance due Sta
Chippewa	320	428 00	428 00	44 00	3 76	384 00
Clark	840	1188 00	1188 00	131 00	12 52	1057 00
Marathon	754 57	1262 21	1262 21	137 21	13 69	1125 00
Monroe	320	988 16	988 16	100 16	13 12	888 00
Wood	1280	1648 32	1648 32	175 32	3 84	1472 00
	2414 57	5414 59	5514 69	588 69	46 93	4926 00

500,000 ACRE TRACT—REGULAR SALE.

LaCrosse	160	214 24	214 24	22 04	7 56	192 00

UNIVERSITY—REGULAR SALE.

Fond du Lac	640 30	3030 08	3030 08	302 08	113 34	2718 00

SWAMP—REGULAR SALE.

Adams	40	50 00	50 00	5 00	1 53	45 00
Brown	600	750 00	750 00	75 00	5 00	675 00
Buffalo	177 51	220 70	220 70	25 78	10 17	197 00
Calumet	120 00	150 00	150 00	15 00	8 76	135 00
Chippewa	281 41	851 78	351 78	35 78	6 39	316 00
Columbia	160	200 00	200 00	20 00	2 76	180 00
Crawford	85 43	106 79	306 79	106 79		
Dodge	640	800 00	800 00	80 00	24 17	720 00
Door	474 50	593 15	563 13	60 13	8 97	533 00
Dunn	280	350 00	350 00	35 00	9 05	315 00
Iowa	97	121 25	121 25	121 25		
Jackson	1160	1450 00	1450 00	145 00	40 17	1305 00
Juneau	440	550 00	550 00	55 00	11 37	495 00
Kewaunee	40	50 00	50 00	5 92	3 09	45 00
LaCrosse	164 61	205 75	205 75	88 75	2 27	117 00
Manitowoc	160 00	200 00	200 00	20 00	1 32	180 00
Monroe	1622 23	2027 78	2027 78	203 78	39 46	1824 00
Outagamie	80	100 00	100 00	10 00	3 13	90 00
Ozaukee	40	50 00	50 00	50 00		
Portage	268 32	335 40	335 40	40 67	12 10	301 00
Sheboygan	193 93	242 42	242 42	71 42	8 30	171 00
Waupacca	120 00	150 00	150 00	105 00	2 92	45 00
Winnebago	691 72	864 65	864 65	86 65	17 55	778 00
Wood	5581 61	6977 02	6977 02	700 77	89 37	6277 00
	13518 27	16896 67	16896 67	2162 69	307 75	14744 00

RECAPITULATION.

	Acres. 100ths	Minimum & Appraised Value.	Amount Sold for.	Amount of Principal Paid.	Amount of Interest Paid.	Amount of Surplus Paid.	Balance due State.
16th Section Forfeited Sales,.....	37563 43	60143 41	63423 53	8571 48	356 75	3288 64	51574 00
" " Regular Sales,.....	2414 57	5514 69	5514 69	588 69	46 93		4926 00
500,000 Acre Tract, Forfeited Sales,...	15806 03	28165 23	29569 41	5149 07	122 78	1404 18	23016 16
" " " Regular Sales,....	160	214 24	214 24	22 04	7 56		192 00
University Forfeited Sales,.....	1265 07	3855 05	3900 49	617 05	67 18	45 44	3208 00
" Regular Sales.....	640	3030 08	3030 08	312 08	113 34		2718 00
Swamp Forfeited Sales,.....	9841 28	15276 40	15276 44	1734 40	303 47	04	13542 00
" Regular Sales,.....	13518 27	16896 67	16896 67	2163 60	307 85		14744 00
	81208 65	133095 77	137825 55	19187 50	1325 86	473[illegible]	113920 16

The Commissioners respectfully make the following suggestions:

Large tracts of the swamp and school lands were offered for sale when speculation ran high, and much competition existed among purchasers; as a consequence many tracts were bid off at a high price. In many instances the purchasers have allowed the same to be forfeited and revert to the State, and when the amount of unpaid interest, penalty, costs, &c., is added to the unpaid purchase money it makes the minimum price at which the commissioners are authorized to sell the same far above their actual value—a price that the state will be unable to realize therefor.

We have good reason to believe that as to the pine lands sold by the state in many instances the purchasers are cutting off the pine with the intention when the pine is removed therefrom to allow the same to be forfeited, and that trespasses of like character are frequently committed upon unsold pine lands belong to the state. In this state the cutting of pine timber from pine lands is done mostly in the winter season. An agent appointed to look after the pine lands in each pinery for a period in each year not to exceed three months would undoubtedly be able to prevent these depredations.

We feel it due to ourselves to call your attention to so much of the report of the investigation committee for the year 1859, as is contained in the statement of loans from the school funds in A. D. 1858, in the appendix under the head of "Remarks," commencing on page 40. They frequently say "No note or mortgage." "No note," from which it might be inferred that we had loaned the money in these cases without taking a mortgage and note. We have never made a single loan without taking a note and mortage. In every case but one there is a note in the Secretary of State's office; in that case we presume the note was attached to mortgage and sent with same to register of deeds for record, the mortgage not as yet having been returned to Secretary's office. In many of the cases referred to in said report the mortgages were in Secretary of State's office. Those that are not are such as have not as yet been returned from the register of deed's office, where they have been sent for record.

The said committee also frequently say in their remarks "No title papers, or no papers." In each and every one of these cases there are title papers in the Secretary of State's office. The committee also frequently remark in substance, that less amounts have been loaned than papers call for, the following is an explanation of same. In these case we were

unwilling to loan to the persons the amount called for by their papers, but let them have a less sum and endorsed the amount actually loaned upon the note and mortgage.

The committee also remark, that in one case, there is a tax deed upon an undivided one half of land mortgaged. This is true, but the other half is appraised at twice the value of the amount loaned. They also remark in one case, that the title is "imperfect;" we have examined the title papers in that case, and must respectfully say that we differ with the committee.

In 1857, loans were obtained from the State, upon three fraudulent mortgages on Fox Lake property, in Dodge County, for $500 each. We have succeeded in collecting upon the same $1,200, in cash, and for the balunce $1,168 62, we have taken ample security upon improved farming land, in Dodge County, thereby saving to the State not only the principal loaned, but also all interest due, penalty and costs.

At the last session of the Legislature, we reported to the Senate the amount of fees received by us, as Commissioners, up to January 1st, 1859. The following is the amount of funds received by us respectively, as Commissioners, since that time, and up to the 30th of September, A. D. 1859;

Secretary of State, $277 92; State Treasurer, $277 92; Attorney General, $160 42.

D. W. JONES, *Sec'y of State.*
SAM'L D. HASTINGS, *State Treas.*
GABRIEL BOUCK, *Att'y General.*